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Asian stocks soar after US Fed cuts rates

HONG KONG—INVESTORS STORMED back into global markets on Thursday, sending stock indices in Hong Kong, South Korea and Japan surging by double digits, after the US Federal Reserve slashed interest rates to revive the world's largest economy and opened new credit lines with other central banks.

To complement a series of interest rate

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Fighting Phillies win World Series SPORTS / A27

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PHILIPPINE DAILY INQUIRER
BALANCED NEWS, FEARLESS VIEWS

PAL pilot suffers stroke; copilot lands jet safely

By Carla P. Gomez
Inquirer Visayas

BACOLOD CITY—THE PILOT OF A PHILIPPINE Airlines plane from Manila with 78 passengers aboard suffered a mild stroke about 60 kilometers from the airport here yesterday, prompting his copilot to take

PAL PILOT A19



BEAUTIES ON THE BEACH Fourteen of 85 Miss Earth candidates frolic on Governor's Island in Alaminos, Pangasinan. The letters on their tops spell "Hundred Islands," a nature spot enjoying a resurgence of visitors.

Biggest oil price rollback

Diesel prices cut by ₱5 per liter, gasoline by ₱2

By Abigail L. Ho

WITH WORLD CRUDE prices dropping significantly, most oil firms in the country yesterday cut gasoline and kerosene prices by P2 a liter, and diesel prices by P5 a liter—the biggest rollback yet for the fuel used by public buses and jeepneys.

One company, Unioil Petroleum Philippines Inc., effected higher price cuts—P2.50 a liter for gasoline and P6 a liter for diesel.

The price cuts came two days after Speaker Prospero Nograles threatened to impose a tax on windfall profits of oil firms to compel them to bring down their prices amid plunging world crude prices.

Some senators are still pushing for the tax on windfall profits, saying that the oil firms' price reductions are not enough.

"They are greedy," said Sen. Miguel Zubiri, who claims that the

BIGGEST A11



THE SIGNS announce the big news—a rollback in gasoline and diesel prices, which took effect at 7 a.m. on Thursday. Two days earlier, Speaker Prospero Nograles threatened to tax oil firms' windfall profits.

Kidnapped aid worker freed by Abu in Basilan

By Julie Alipala
Inquirer Mindanao

ZAMBOANGA CITY—ABU SAYYAF kidnappers released before dawn yesterday one of two abducted humanitarian workers after ransom was paid, ending her 45-day ordeal on the island-province of Basilan.

Basilan Vice Gov. Al Rasheed Sakalahul, head of the provincial crisis management committee, told the Inquirer that Esperanza "Espie" Hupida had been freed but did not give details on the ransom.

"Thank God, Espie is here. Together with her husband, we fetched her at Tipo-Tipo," Sakalahul said in a text message at 3 a.m.

He said the group was on its way to Isabela City after taking Hupida from her kidnappers about an hour earlier. Espie's husband Nestor said she was taken from Limbo Pac in Tipo-Tipo Central.

A program director of the local NGO

KIDNAPPED A11



A CASUALLY dressed Jose Miguel Arroyo, the President's husband, walks out of St. Luke's Medical Center.

Senators wrangle over Joc-joc

Bolante to undergo more tests, says doctor

By Nancy C. Carvajal and Michael Lim Ubac

JOCELYN "JOC-JOC" BOLANTE is not in pain and can walk around his room but has to continue his hospital stay for more tests.

This was how Dr. Ramon Saavedra, the attending physician of the purported architect of the P728-million fertilizer fund scam, described his state of health in a press conference at the lobby of St. Luke's Medical Center yesterday afternoon.

"He is stable but he needs to be subjected to further examination because of his fluctuating blood pressure and significant weight loss," said Saavedra, a known cardiologist and a family friend of the Bolantes.

The doctor said the results of the tests administered on

BOLANTE A20

By Christine O. Avendaño

SENATORS ARE STILL DIVIDED OVER WHAT ACtion to take regarding Jocelyn "Joc-joc" Bolante and the unresolved P728-million fertilizer fund scam.

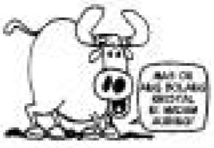
Sen. Panfilo Lacson yesterday said Senate President Manny Villar should stop "dilly-dallying" and reopen the inquiry into the fund scam to allow the newly deported Bolante to finally testify.

"What does [Villar] really want out of this whole exercise?" Lacson said at a news briefing, adding that the Senate President had been talking about a caucus of senators to discuss the matter but was not calling for one.

At a separate briefing, Sen. Edgardo Angara called on the Supreme Court to act on Bolante's petition asking that the Senate be stopped from arresting him.

Angara said that by so doing, the high court could

SENATORS A20



Indian seers predict Obama win on Nov. 4

MUMBAI—INDIAN ASTROLOGERS are predicting Barack Obama will win the US presidential election by a comfortable margin, but one warned of potentially life-threatening times ahead for the Democratic candidate.

"Obama is 100 percent in Leo and Leos are not only born leaders but they have a special charm all of their own," well-known Indian astrologer Bejan Daruwalla told Agence France-Presse.

"(Republican candidate) John McCain has good points but he's nowhere in the picture. He's miles away. He has been outshadowed by the Leo. He might have been very good in his time but this is not the right time."

INDIAN A19

PNP gets refund, apology from 2 'euro generals'

By Jocelyn R. Uy and Christine O. Avendaño

THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL POLICE yesterday got a refund and an apology from two police officers who were part of the eight-man PNP delegation ordered to return the P2.19-million travel allowance it received for an Interpol assembly in Russia early this month.

A total of P374,070 out of the pocket money has been returned to the finance services department of the national police, so far. But the PNP is expecting the entire amount to be returned by Monday.

"All the active-duty police officials have expressed willingness to return the [cash advance] each of them received for the official trip to Russia," PNP spokesperson Chief Supt. Nicanor Bartolome said yesterday.

Eliseo de la Paz, now retired PNP comptroller and director, is also expected today to return the full amount of P374,070, which each official received for the 77th Interpol Assembly in St. Petersburg early this month, Bartolome said.

"The rest of the eight-man delegation promised to return the money on

PNP GETS A21

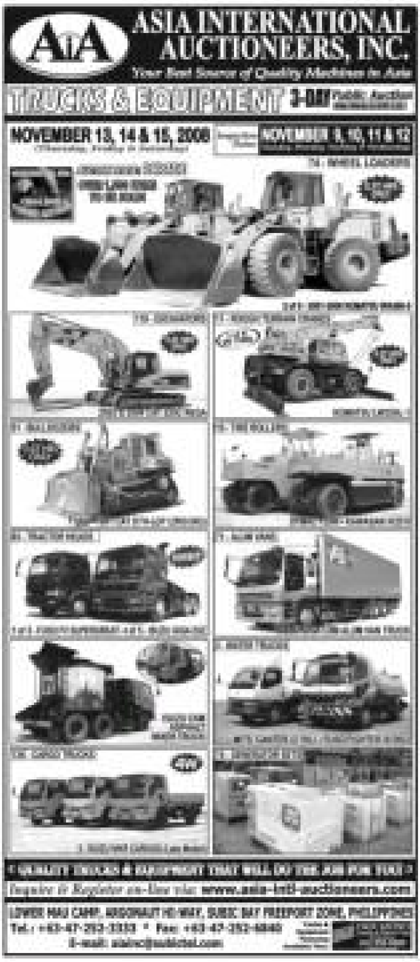
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Not all bishops want GMA out

President flies to Cebu where prelate-ally blesses her before blessing bridge

CEBU CITY—SHE MAY HAVE GOTTEN A scolding from five bishops recently, but yesterday President Macapagal-Arroyo basked in the benign regard of a reliable ally, the influential Archbishop of Cebu.







'Cheaper meds rules don't go far enough'

CIVIL SOCIETY GROUPS have complained the draft rules and regulations (IRR) for Republic Act No. 9502, the Cheaper Medicines Law, appears not to fully reflect the core provisions of the landmark legislation.

The groups, Cut the Cost, Cut the Pain Network (CCP-Net), Oxfam and Apat na Gamot sa Abot-kayang Presyo (AGAP) said the draft IRR did not contain rules on "parallel importation," which would allow the government and private groups to import patented medicines from countries where they were cheaper.

They said the draft also did not specify how local generic drug manufacturers could make use of the "early working principle" that would allow them to begin developing medicines even before their patents expired.

RA 9502, or the Universally Accessible Cheaper and Quality Medicines Act of 2008, was signed into law in June after years in the legislative mill.

The law seeks to bring down the price of medicine by encouraging more competition in the local market mainly through the parallel importation of cheaper quality drugs.

The Department of Health and Intellectual Property Office have ended public consultations and are expected to issue the IRR on Nov. 1.

Dona Pazzibugan

Sinking's other victims say aid never got to them



Where is the money?

Fiesta coming up

Buried in debt



Aussies give P17M for better forecasts

PDI reporter's ma dies at 70

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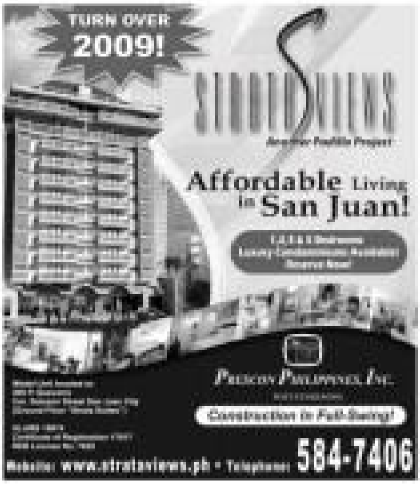
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Military did not commit atrocities in South, Yano tells rights group

By Jocelyn R. Uy

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RP inks agreement to keep UN supplied with peacekeepers

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Prisoner transfer on tap

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AKCUPI hits the 6K mark

Registrations include Champions and Hall of Famers

If AKCUPI is magic, it would be casting the most amazing spell for, in nearly seven months it has continuously and persistently fascinated dog aficionados so much so that registrations have skyrocketed to an amazing 6,000 mark.

The Asian Kennel Union of the Philippines, Inc. (AKCUPI), an alternative dog registering club for purebred dogs, has earned the respect of dog owners and dog breeders. The country's prominent names in the dog industry are joining the fold, one of them is Henry Baltiera – a solo dog owner with more than 700 dogs of various breeds registered to AKCUPI.

Says Baltiera, "I would not be with the club if I did not believe in its principles and purposes." Baltiera keeps the best-sorted, top, bred and prize-winning dogs in his Kennels of Lorenbys, a Wildlife and Research Center near Heritage Park in Nueva Valencia, in the province of Guimaras.

Apart from the numbers, the club boasts of [illegible] joining their group. Owners of Champions and Hall of Famers have enlisted their dogs to AKCUPI. The latest registered dogs are: [illegible], Philippine Hall of Famer owned Primo Co Sr.; [illegible], Philippine Hall of Famer owned by Eduardo Cruz; [illegible] both Philippine Champions owned by Paul Ryan Co; [illegible] both Philippine Champions owned by Sy Lenny Alagada; and [illegible], Philippine Champion owned by Atty. Jose Ang Chuan.

According to Ang Chuan, "Our Php 150.00 registration fee is there to go to socially relevant dog welfare related activities." Awareness and education on responsible dog ownership is one of the thrusts of the club.

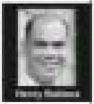
"And registration fee is justified, as dog owners are entitled to friendly and quality service... a positive result of competition," adds Primo Co.

Despite controversies thrown against AKCUPI every now and then, the club stands on a solid footing owing to the "trust, confidence and support by the dog owners and dog breeders" according to AKCUPI president Renzo Rogaliso.

Says Alagada, "Competition is a good thing... now we are given varied choices. The end of the monopoly in dog registering had made the atmosphere friendlier."

2009 will be a prosperous year for dog aficionados as AKCUPI has a year-long lineup of world class dog shows and community oriented, socially relevant industry related activities like vaccination programs and educational talks.

AKCUPI can be reached at [illegible] or [illegible] for inquiries, or www.akcupi.com for information.



Henry Baltiera



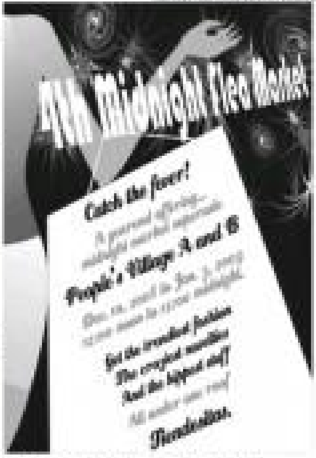
Primo Co



Atty. Jose Ang Chuan



Lenny Alagada



AKCUPI SUPPORTS DRIVE TOWARDS RABIES-FREE PHILIPPINES

A fitting prelude to Asian Kennel Club Union of the Philippines (AKCUPI)'s big year (2009), a series of social responsibility activities were held in the months of September and October.

AKCUPI joined the City government of Antipolo celebrate the World Rabies Day last September 28, 2008, and Taguig on their Anti-Rabies Day last October 5, 2008. These activities were spearheaded by CARA (Compassion and Responsibility for Animals).

The club also participated in the annual Pet Blessing held last October 4 at Greenhills Shopping Center and October 5 at Tiendesitas. Pet blessing is only one of the community service activities religiously undertaken by GSC and Tiendesitas in cooperation with its corporate sponsors.

AKCUPI staunchly supports Rabies-free Philippines efforts of local governments, the private sector and corporate entities.



Pet blessing & vaccination- Tiendesitas



Pet blessing- Greenhills



Anti-rabies- Taguig



Anti-rabies drive- Antipolo

Cat fanciers brace for yearender international event

For the 7th year, Feline Fanciers of the Philippines, Inc. will be 'purring' more fun and exciting activities in their 14th and 15th International Cat Championship show.

The Club's lucky 7th, this year's goal is to hit the 150 mark in show registrations and just like the previous years, this event is expected to draw huge crowd of cat fanciers and spectators alike.

Feline Fanciers of the Philippines, Inc. (FFPI) has earned the status of holding the most prestigious and reputable championship shows and the most awesome fun matches in the local cat industry. Come November 9, the People's Village of Tiendesitas will bear witness to another history unfolding.

Perhaps the primary reason why FFPI events are much sought after, the attendance of internationally recognized foreign judges give every event an indisputable repute. Two members of The International Cat Association (TICA) were invited to judge and were confirmed to fly in from Japan are: Mr. Chieko Ohira and Mr. Hisao Tosaki.

Be it fun match or championship events, the success of FFPI shows is always expected. Cora Sunga (president) avers, "We meet regularly to organize committees, monitor just to be sure that every detail is conformed with and world-class set-up is achieved."

But more than successful string of shows, FFPI events are family affairs. Adds Sunga: "We involve family members. Our events are opportunities for bonding moments. The activities are well thought out to foster friendship among members and to encourage camaraderie among the children-our next generation."

The club laid out activities for adults and kids. There will be the traditional photo contest, drawing contest, tattoo and face painting, and magic. The club is also ardent on replicating the success of last September's fun match; they are contemplating on adding booths where sponsors can give talks/lectures and consult.

FFPI thanks its supporters: Tiendesitas, Las Islas, Royal Canin, IAMS, Science Diet, Happy Cat Litter, Aceco Corp. and Splendid Foreland.

For registrations, details and inquiries log on to www.ffpi.multiply.com or call 808-6873 (Cora Sunga) or 0917-6233826 (Rose Tong)

DOG SHOWS BREED GROUPING

(American Kennel Club System)

AKC Breeds by group

TERRIER GROUP

[illegible]

HERDING GROUP

[illegible]

SPORTING GROUP

[illegible]

WORKING GROUP

[illegible]

NON-SPORTING GROUP

[illegible]

MISCELLANEOUS GROUP

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TOY GROUP

[illegible]

HOUND GROUP

[illegible]

Calendar of Events

ASIAN KENNEL CLUB UNION OF THE PHILIPPINES, INC.

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Saturday & Sunday

Month Day	Event	Venue	Time
January	All-Breeds Dog Show	Tiendesitas The People's Village	9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
February	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
March	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
April 5 - 6	"ASO KO MAHAL KO" (Rabies-Vaccination Day)	per City & per Barangay	
April	All-Breeds Dog Show	Tiendesitas The People's Village	9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
May	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
June	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
July	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
August 2-5	"MY BEAUTIFUL PET" [illegible]		
August	All-Breeds Dog Show	Tiendesitas The People's Village	9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
September	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
October	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
November	All-Breeds Dog Show		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
December 5-6	1st International Philippine Open (Canine Master's Cup Show)		9:00 A.M. ONWARDS
December 10	"Araw ni Bantay at Tagpi" [illegible]	Tiendesitas The People's Village	9:00 A.M. ONWARDS

Participants

Purebreds - mixed breeds

Lump Fees

with lots of exciting and educational events

CHR to remind security forces of its right to visit



Coup witnesses irrelevant, say DOJ prosecutors

DENR scores return of Boracay building frenzy

By Nestor P. Burgos Jr.
Inquirer Visayas

BORACAY ISLAND—THE DEPARTMENT of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) on Thursday scored officials governing Boracay Island for lifting a moratorium on construction projects on the island resort.

"This should not be. From the point of view of environment planning, we should have waited for the environmental master plan and comprehensive land use plan (CLUP)," said Environment Undersecretary [illegible].

[illegible]

Breathing space

[illegible]

No implementation

[illegible]



PHOTO [illegible]

Traders' lament

[illegible]



Palace glued to poverty targets, says agency exec

"Some gains can't be undone. A child will forever benefit from the primary education he or she might not otherwise have received..."

Signatory

Smiling face

Local programs

Execs meet on how much watersheds' health costs

First 300,000 barrels of Galoc oil sold to Petron

Biggest oil price rollback

Fare rollback

Dubai crude

Total reduction of P15.50

P317 million a day

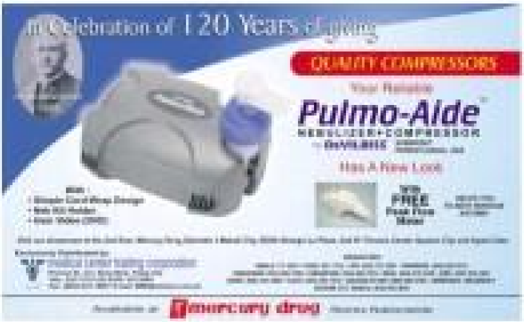
Open books

Windfall tax measure

Prices could still go down

Shell for transparency

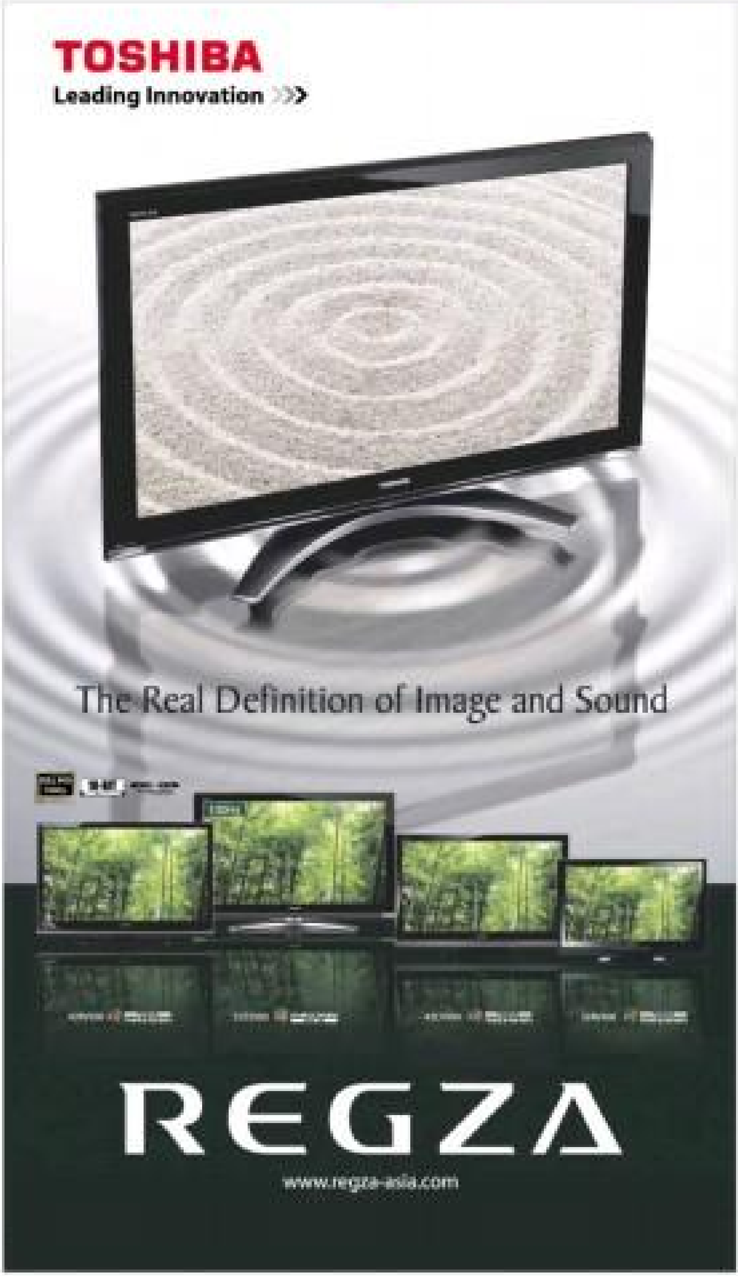




Kidnapped aid worker freed

Board and lodging fee

Mosquito bites

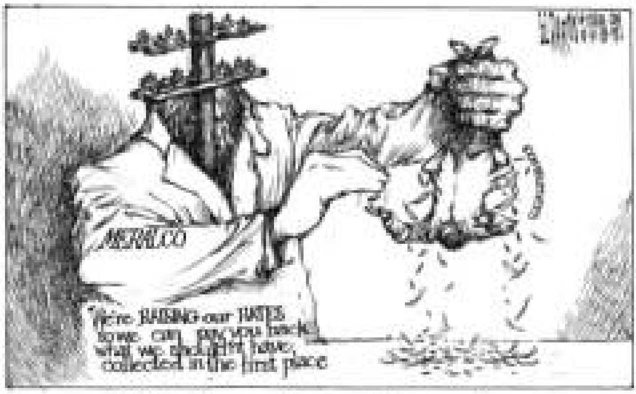


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Raul C. Pangalangan

Bishops have lost their political touch

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Amando Doronila



Belonging

AT LARGE

Rina Jimenez-David



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Common good

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Schools' passing records

Esperat murder brains now fugitives



TRANSPORT REMAINS

COTABATO CITY—POLICE HERE failed to arrest the suspected masterminds in the 2005 murder of journalist Marlene Esperat, whose killing has been linked to the fertilizer scam allegedly masterminded by former agriculture undersecretary Jocelyn Bolante.

Army says it foiled Cotabato bomb plot

It's time for ghost stories again



De Oro BIR chief won't leave just yet



FARMERS camp out at the DAR office in Cagayan de Oro to demand land.

Farmers storm DAR, say wait for land too long

Newly-built bridge in Naga City called useless without road

Cheaper 'pan de sal' up; flour prices cut



Melting ice sculpture represents Wall Street

Asian stocks soar after US Fed cuts rates

Indian seers predict Obama victory



PAL pilot suffers stroke; copilot lands jet safely



DR. ROMEO Saavedra briefs media on Jocelyn Bolante's condition at St. Luke's Medical Center on Thursday. Saavedra, a known cardiologist, says the former agriculture official needs to undergo more medical tests. Behind him is Marilen Tronqued-Lagiston, St. Luke's vice president for corporate affairs.



IN THE EYE OF A MEDIA STORM Jocelyn "Joc-joc" Bolante is wheeled out of the Ninoy Aquino International Airport on Tuesday night upon his arrival from the United States.

Bolante to undergo more tests, says doctor

Peptic ulcer

Mike's friend

Neither GMA nor Mike

Can't blame them

Senators wrangle over Joc-joc Bolante



BIG STORY TV reporters keep vigil outside the main entrance of St. Luke's Medical Center in Quezon City early Thursday morning for the latest development on former Agriculture Undersecretary Jocelyn "Joc-joc" Bolante who is confined in the hospital.

'Preferable venue'

'Nothing is happening'

Faith in Ombudsman

Possible excuse

Planned probe

PNP gets refund, apology from 2 'euro generals'

Apology

Arrest order

Committee members in attendance

Seized money

Criminal prosecution

Unauthorized release

NEWS

Prayers only for Bolante, say religious

By Leila B. Salaverria

THE CATHOLIC NUNS AND BROTHERS KEEPING watch over National Broadband Network (NBN) deal witness Rodolfo Lozada Jr. are offering special prayers—not their open arms—to former Agriculture Undersecretary Jocelyn "Joc-joc" Bolante.

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'See the light, tell the truth'

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Never again, airport exec vows after media melee

By Jerome Aning

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Great displeasure

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Utter disregard

[illegible]

A plus METRO
Editor: Ruben D. Dipasupil

DID YOU KNOW

ST. EZEKIEL Moreno, patron saint of those afflicted with cancer, was a Spanish friar who served in Manila, Las Piñas and other parts of Luzon in the 19th century. He spoke fluent Tagalog. Moreno died of cancer of the palate in Spain in 1906. He was beatified in 1975 and canonized in 1992. —*EpiPC, Inquirer Research*

Inside job suspected in loss of guns

QCPD notes no sign of damage on padlocks of storage boxes

By Julie M. Aurelio

POLICE SUSPECT THE DISAPPEARANCE OF 20 guns from an office at the Quezon City Hall could be the result of an inside job.

Officials of the Quezon City Police District noted that there was no sign of damage on the padlocks of the boxes where the firearms, missing for nearly a month now, were supposedly stored.

Supt. Franklin Moises Mabanag, chief of the Criminal Investigation and Detection Unit, said the missing 18 Taurus cal. 45 pistols and two Mossberg shotguns could have been "pilfered" within a period of five years.

The police official said they would focus the investigation on supply officers and IT personnel who had access to the firearms.

Mabanag said there should have been damage on the padlocks if outsiders were involved.

Three of the staff members of the Quezon City Hall's General Services Office underwent polygraph or lie detector tests, one reportedly failed the exam. Police are withholding the identity of the person pending further investigation.

The police official admitted it would be difficult to pin down the culprit simply on the basis of polygraph test results.

He said they would collect other information from people who might know something about the loss of the guns.

In 2003, the Quezon City government bought 270 Taurus pistols and 30 Mossberg shotguns. It donated 250 pistols and 40 shotguns to the QCPD.

Police said there were at least 20 Taurus pistols and 10 Mossberg shotguns left in City Hall for the use of security personnel.

Of the 20 firearms stored at the GSO, seven were issued but only eight remained in their storage boxes.

On Wednesday, GSO head Rolando Montiel confirmed the loss of the firearms, adding he was accountable for the loss of the city government's properties.

Mayor Feliciano Belmonte Jr. said he would recommend the filing of administrative and criminal charges against those who took the guns once they are identified.

Meanwhile, policemen who had been assigned to other areas and did not return firearms issued to them while on duty would be charged, said Senior Supt. Nicholas Lachica, district operations head.

Lachica said they were told that the QCPD had the highest number of "recalled" firearms in the entire National Capital Region. *With Nancy C. Carvajal*



FLOWER LADIES Flower vendors in the strip popularly called Dangwa in Dimasalang, Sampaloc, Manila, sort out blooms for sale to commemorate All Saints' Day on Nov. 1 and All Souls' Day on Nov. 2. LYN RILLON

Businessman killed, daughter wounded in Quezon City shooting

By Julie M. Aurelio

A BUSINESSMAN WAS KILLED WHILE HIS 5-year-old daughter was slightly injured in a shooting Wednesday night in Quezon City.

Wilson Tayon, 42, a resident of 146 D. Basilio corner Dahlia Road in Barangay Tandang Sora, died from several gun shot wounds in the hospital where he was rushed after the incident.

His daughter, Sunshine Mae, is recovering from a wound near her left ear at the East Avenue Medical Center.

Police are looking at the possibility of a business feud as the motive for the shooting.

Case investigator PO2 Rodel Tumangday said the incident happened as Tayon was locking up their store on Tandang Sora Avenue in Barangay Old Balara.

An initial investigation showed that the Tayons were on board their white Toyota Corolla with plate number UPR 737 waiting for a helper to lock up.

At around 11:00 p.m., a man approached the car, pulled out a 9 mm pistol and shot Tayon and his daughter at close range.

Tumangday said the businessman was hit on the left shoulder. Another bullet entered the left cheek and exited through the right cheek. A bullet grazed Sunshine Mae near the left ear.

The suspect fled on foot after the shooting. Investigators recovered an empty 9 mm shell from the scene.

Tayon was rushed to the New Era Hospital but was declared dead on arrival at 11:47 p.m.

Leviste witness says disbarment doesn't affect testimony

By Allison W. Lopez

MetroBriefs

Home safety measures advice for Marikeños

QC councilor bats for stiffer fines for porn agents

Metro officials bare traffic rerouting plans for holidays

By Jeannette I. Andrade, Julie M. Aurelio, Miko Morelos, Beverly Natividad and Allison Lopez

Parking areas

Traffic enforcers

Radio groups

Roads closed

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Pakistan quake survivors wait for aid

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AFP

Grenade thrown at Thai protesters

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Reuters

In S. Korea, adultery still punishable by jail

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Aussie charged with murder, rape of Asians

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AFP

Soldiers flee along with civilians as Congo rebels approach key city

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REFUGEES flee with their belongings on Oct. 29 as rebels advanced on the eastern Congolese city of Goma. AP PHOTO

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The WORLD

18 bomb blasts rock India's Assam state, kill at least 25

GUWAHATI, INDIA—EIGHTEEN bomb blasts in quick succession shook the main city of India's troubled northeastern Assam state and three other towns on Thursday, killing at least 25 people, police said.



Obama blitzes US airwaves

Hong Kong finds melamine in yet more China eggs





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End 28-year drought after 4-3 thriller



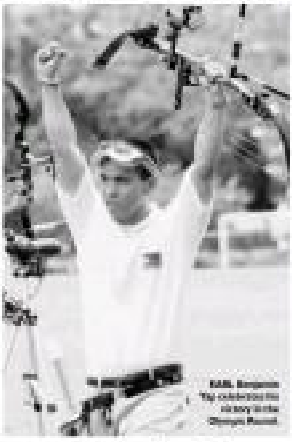
Philadelphia slays its ghosts

San Mig rips SLR, assumes solo lead



RP archers on target with 4 Asean golds





Yu replaces Garcia as PSC commish

USLS tossers upset Lady Tams

Ateneo-La Salle kicks off WPBL tilt

Remembering Pinggoy

One Game at a Time



Nadal, Federer reach Paris Masters third round


NADAL


FEDERER

F-1 title race comes down to season finale again

D' Antoni, Knicks cool off Heat

New NY coach unleashes Crawford, Randolph


THE KNICKS' Nate Robinson drives past the Heat's Marcus Banks in Wednesday's game.

Rockets 82, Grizzlies 71

Lakers 117, Clippers 79

Bucks 98, Thunder 87

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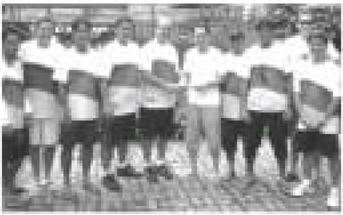
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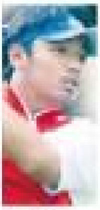

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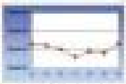
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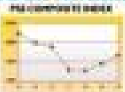
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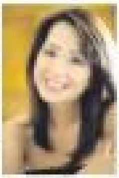
MARITONI TORDESILLAS in [illegible]

The ballerina sticks to her fashion/style

MARITONI RUFINO-Tordesillas fell in love with ballet at eight years old. It was what would take her all the way to New York.

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The Working Class



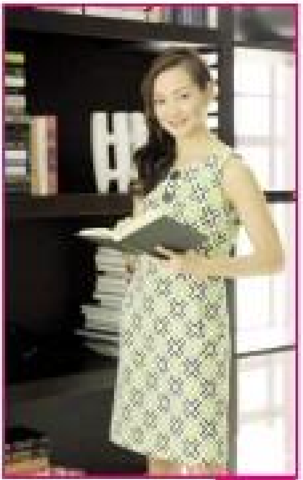
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Inner peace

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THE BALLERINA C2







The ballerina sticks to her fashion/style

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program of the Australian Conservatoire of Ballet.)

Simultaneously, she discovered Ashtanga Yoga. With a certification from the Centered Yoga Institute in Koh Samui, Thailand, she became one of the founders of Yoga Manila.

Because she teaches two to three yoga classes daily, her schedule dictates that her wardrobe [illegible] Yoga wear comprises 90 percent of her clothing. [illegible]

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YOUR GUIDE TO THE OLD AND NEW CUBAO

Manila's 'hunchback' gets a makeover

By John Ramirez
Contributor

POPULAR FOLKLORE HAS IT THAT the name "Cubao" could be traced to a hunchback who used to live in a grassland acquired by J. Amado Araneta, where the old Highway 54, now Edsa, ran through.

"Kuba" is the Tagalog word for hunchback—hence, "Cubao."

The site of what used to be Asia's biggest coliseum and the country's first ever mall [illegible] Muhammad Ali's historic "Thrilla in Manila" bout with Joe Frazier at Araneta Coliseum [illegible] Gateway Mall. Up next: high-rise apartments to be built by Megaworld called Manhattan Garden Residences.

Gone are the red-carpet movie premieres at New Frontier Cinema and the annual Christmas animated display of the old C.O.D. [illegible] has given way to newer attractions.



But through all these changes, Cubao has kept some landmark destinations.

Farmer's Market

If you want the freshest produce and flowers, Farmer's is still the best. [illegible]

Farmer's has also attracted international visitors such as Thailand's ex-Prime Minister (and chef) Samak Sundaravej, who did a whole-day shopping [illegible] Manila.

Another recent Manila visitor, "No Reservations" and "Kitchen Confidential" author Anthony Bourdain, also sampled the flavors and ambience of Farmer's Market.

National Bookstore

Other than the original Sta. Cruz store, National Bookstore's Cubao Superstore is a must for any bookworm. Eight floors of books, old and new, await the booklover. To keep up with the changing face of Cubao, National has had a major facelift—a sleek glass exterior to complement its next-door neighbor, Gateway Mall.



Farmer's Market's recent big-time visitors include Thailand's ex-Prime Minister Samak Sundaravej and chef Anthony Bourdain

KARMA'S vintage sofas

Cubao Shoe Expo

It used to be called Marikina Shoe Expo—a pet project of then First Lady Imelda Marcos to showcase the genius of local shoemakers, a project similar to [illegible] in the US. Marikina Shoe Expo was a one-stop shop for bargain shoe shopping.

Now that the place has been renamed Cubao Expo, it has grown a more bohemian atmosphere. [illegible]

[illegible]

New additions include Vintage Era, The Breakdog Space, [illegible]



BOOKS for kids

[illegible]

On weekends, stalls line the driveway selling [illegible] items, including books. [illegible]

Whatever changes Cubao undergoes—and whether the hunchback story is true or not—Cubao seems destined to remain the grand dame of shopping in the Philippines.



SHOE and bag repair while you wait



KARMA Store

Manila Int'l Salsa Festival Nov. 15-16



Beloved, benevolent music-making



BELOVED ENCORE. The concert, held at Makati Shangri-La Hotel, featured top opera singers from New York plus Martin Nievera and Louie Ocampo.

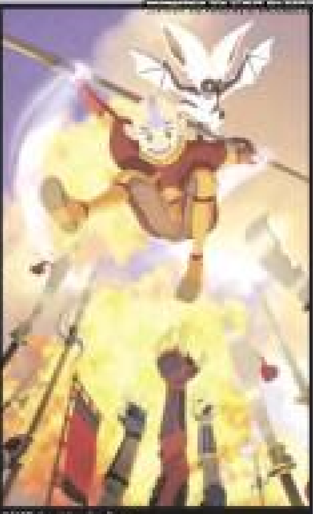


Nickelodeon's Mischief Madness at the SM Mall of Asia

















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Luxury for a cause

Salvatore Ferragamo rules—in fashion and philanthropy

Black beauty



Heavenly frocks



Suit deluxe



Mabuhay!



Jessi J. Esperson

THE "SHOEMAKER TO THE Stars" has been rocking the fashion and Hollywood headlines since Ferragamo's recent collaboration with Oscar-winning costume designer [illegible]

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E-mail the author at [illegible]

Belles of the ball



Cocktail-hour creations



Coat-ture



Watch gone 'rogue'

TO CELEBRATE THE 22nd James Bond movie, "Quantum of Solace," Swatch releases a 22-piece collection that's inspired by the best—of the worst.

All of 007's nemeses from "Dr. No" to "Quantum of Solace" have a Swatch designed after their character, including [illegible]

There's a Swatch for each of the 22 Bond movies, created in part to celebrate Swatch's 25th anniversary. It also pays tribute to some of cinema's most outstanding anti-heroes, like Christopher Walken as Max Zorin in "A View to a Kill" and Jonathan Pryce as Elliot Carver in "Tomorrow Never Dies."



SWATCH'S Bond watch from "On Her Majesty's Secret Service"



SCARAMANGA "The Man with the Golden Gun"



[illegible] "Goldfinger"



[illegible] "The Living Daylights"



JAWS "The Spy Who Loved Me"

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Cute tees



Bayo kids



Knits



Plaids



Bayo



What: Bayo Holiday Collection Fashion Show
Where: SM Mall of Asia, Main Atrium
When: Oct. 27
Spotted: [illegible]

What's hot: [illegible]

This just in: The Bayo Holiday Collection will be available in all Bayo stores in December. [illegible]

You know you love it: [illegible]

Bayo Show pieces



Over lace





Folded & Hung

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Flouncer



Metallic leggings



Rainbow tights





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Thicker eyebrows can make you look younger

They soften the face and give it a friendly look



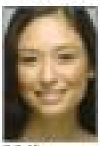
THE KEY is to keep the thickness of the eyebrows while taking out the stray hairs that make the brows lose its shape.

THIN BROWS ARE OUT. THIS season is all about strong and defined eyebrows that give the face depth and character.

Thicker brows can signify elegance, strength and intelligence, taking influence from iconic actresses like Elizabeth Taylor, Ava Gardner and Audrey Hepburn. Wearing your eyebrows thicker can also make you look younger, as it softens the face and gives it a friendly look.

An over-plucked pair tends to make a person look perpetually surprised or, worse, suspicious and shifty.

It has been said that "If the eyes are the windows to one's soul, the eyebrows must serve as its frame." True enough, the eyebrows have the power to draw attention to our eyes, making them the focal point.



Take Brooke Shields and Cindy Crawford, for instance. Their brows were phenomenal in the '80s, but somehow you also remembered how equally striking their eyes were.

Making the strong brow work for you is easy. There is no need to make any drastic changes to your look, as it still requires you to follow your natural eyebrow shape.

Be inspired by the gorgeously thick eyebrows of actresses Keira Knightley and Rachel Weisz, as well as models Hilary Rhoda, Anouck Lepère and Agyness Deyn.

Pluck sparingly. The key is to keep the thickness of the eyebrows while taking out the stray hairs that make the brows lose its shape. The hair should start at the inner eye and end past the outer corner; any hair outside of this should be removed. Adding a slight arch on the point where your outer iris ends (when looking straight ahead) suits most women.

Just dark, even brows. Fill in sparse areas with an eyebrow pencil using short, hair-like strokes. Then, soften the look by layering powder eyeshadow (in the same color) using a stiff, angled brush. Finish by grooming your brows with an eyebrow comb or brush.

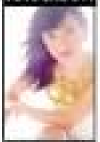
Try using a brow gel. Many makeup brands, like MAC, Christian Dior, Laura Mercier and Make Up For Ever, carry tinted eyebrow gels that already fill in the brows while grooming it. Other options include using clear mascara or a bit of hairspray misted onto a brow brush. But this requires you to apply the eyebrow pencil and powder eye shadow combo first, in order to achieve dark, strong brows.

Hold off on that eyebrow tattoo!

I've yet to see a woman with tattooed brows whom I didn't feel sorry for



KNOCKOUT!



Mia Francisco-Prieto

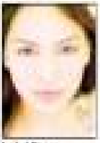


CAPTURE precious moments.

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PHOEMELA Baranda



Isabel Roxas, Backstage Pro

Smoky eyes

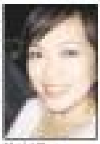
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FABULOUS eye makeup is key to completing your look.

A scent to remember





Mariel Chua, Beauty in the Big Apple

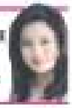
Fragrant Measures



Truly white—not just lighter—skin

MAKEOVER 911

Kitty Salas



Fair-skinned Rufa Mae Quinto went from light beige to a head-turning pink-white. Here's how she did it



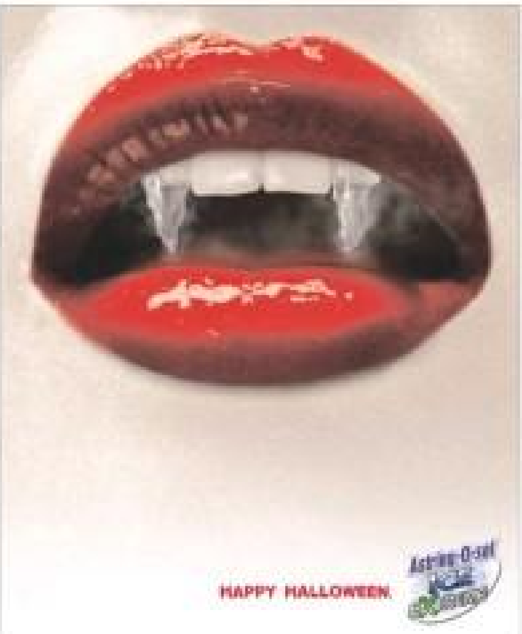
ACTRESS Rufa Mae Quinto





Shine with the new lipstick collection

Midnight flea market at Tiendesitas





Colors of the Season







Skincare line focuses on neck, chest

THE WORLD-RENOWNED Obagi Medical products now have a skincare system specifically designed to correct, restore, and maintain the youthful glow of skin on the chest and neck.

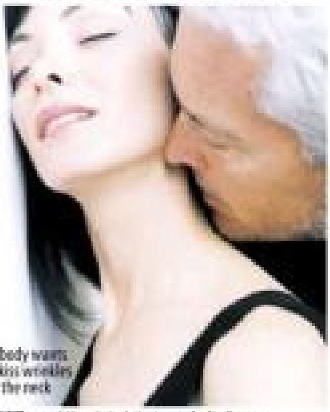
The ELASTIderm Décolletage System uses two modern methods—Skin Lightening Complex and Wrinkle Reducing Lotion—aimed to give one's décolletage the elasticity and softness it once had. Results are said to be visible in four weeks.

The Skin Lightening Complex has lightening ingredients to reduce hyperpigmentation and eliminate age spots. The Wrinkle Reducing Lotion has a unique bi-mineral complex to replenish the skin's collagen supply, promoting skin strength, elasticity and resilience. Fine lines and wrinkles are safely and effectively minimized.

House of Obagi is the trademark medical boutique of one of the most recognizable names in skincare worldwide, Obagi. The House of Obagi is the first Philippine satellite office of the global brand.

House of Obagi also serves as hub for Obagi-affiliated doctors, now numbering some 700 experts. Walk-in clients are referred to these doctors for continuing consultation.

House of Obagi is at 2/L, Trifoma, and Service Tower of Alabang Town Center. All skin treatments are done by licensed and certified dermatologists. Call 81-OBAGI (62244) or visit www.obagi.com.ph or www.houseofobagi.com.



Nobody wants to kiss wrinkles on the neck

OBAGI'S new wrinkle-reducing lotion targets the décolletage

Hair-regrowth pack promo

REGROE IS OFFERING A 20-percent discount on its Regroe and Progroe System Pack. Regular use of Regroe ensures thick, nourished and dandruff-free hair. The Regroe and Progroe System Pack is available in drugstores, supermarkets and department stores nationwide. Call 8173333.

LIFESTYLE Fashion&Beauty

Jing Monis' 'third eye' is turned on today

The makeup artist and hairstylist is used to seeing otherworldly spirits



Clairvoyance

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LOVE TEAM BENCH: Gerald Anderson and Kim Chiu

Bench

What: Bench Fashion Week.

Where: SM Mall of Asia, Music Avenue

When: Just Oct. 26

Spotted: Mix is the new match. Bench's collection played up with print on print such as stripes with plaids, plaids with plaids, and stripes with graphic prints.

What's hot: The colors splashed in various shades of pinks, blues and yellows on the bottoms. With the vibrant hues of Bench's miniskirts, cropped shorts, tailored cargoes and ankle-length jeans, the summer vibe is definitely on.

This just in: Bench and Human are playing Santa and making gift-giving this season an easy, practical and exciting experience. Purchase gifts for your fashionista best buddy, your hardworking dad or your sweet mom who loves pretty little things all in one package.

Visit Bench and Human stores nationwide to see what's in store.

You know you love it: Bench's collection of "green" tees with positive messages that help save the environment.

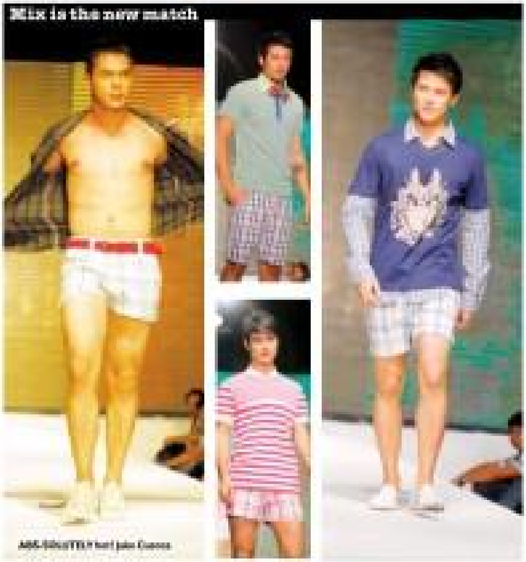
Eco friends



Colored bottoms

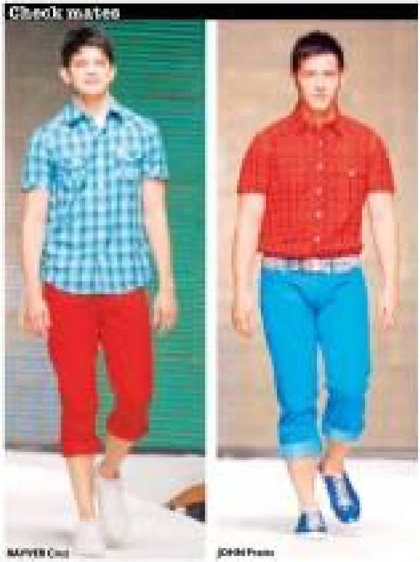


Mix is the new match



ABS-SOLUTELY hot! Jake Cuenca

Check mates



RAYVER Cruz

JOHN Prats

Fun, functional kiddie wear



G COMPANY and B+ Active are exclusively available at all Robinsons Department Store branches. Visit www.robinsonsdepartmentstore.com.ph.

ROBINSONS DEPARTMENT STORE carries playful, functional and fashionable apparel for boys and girls—G Company for girls and B+ Active for boys.

Here are a couple of tips for dressing up active tykes:

- FIT: Get your kids' super-small sizes or just-right ones and they will outgrow them sooner than you can think. However, while "buying big" might work, some kids won't even budge if you get them overly large ones. So choose the right fit, which should also be synonymous to comfort.

G Company and B+ Active offers pieces they can wear and enjoy now. Check out Company B's bright tees and matching capri pants—colorful, tropical-themed and cute dresses for girls and B+ Active funky shirts and shorts for boys. They are sure to move with your kids' active lifestyle, whether for a morning of playing in the park or an afternoon walking the dog.

- COMFORT: Are the kids off to a field trip to the zoo with their classmates? Is there a mini-tea party in the backyard with their girl friends? Or going out for lunch or dinner with the whole family? Choose from graphic shirts with a variety of prints like robots, cartoons and kiddie accessories matched with shorts in cool colors that help them stand out in any crowd.

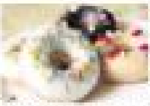
Sisters turn hobby into soap factory

THE SOAP FACTORY introduces body products that combine natural ingredients infused with essential oils, for skincare that's safe and eco-friendly.

Given their passion for aromatherapy soaps and scents, sisters Dina, Vicky Tiosi, Doyer and Julie Tiuseco turned their hobby of soap-making into The Soap Factory.

This product range comes in variants such as Pumpkin, Shea Butter, Coconut, Tomato and Cucumber.

Made more fun, yummy soaps are made to look like cakes, donuts, cupcakes and tarts. Infused with a mix of aromatherapy oils that nourish skin, these soap bars come in eye-catching colors—Blueberry Crumble or the calming and freeing Piña Colada soap. There's also Kiwi-berry and Choco Dream Bar.



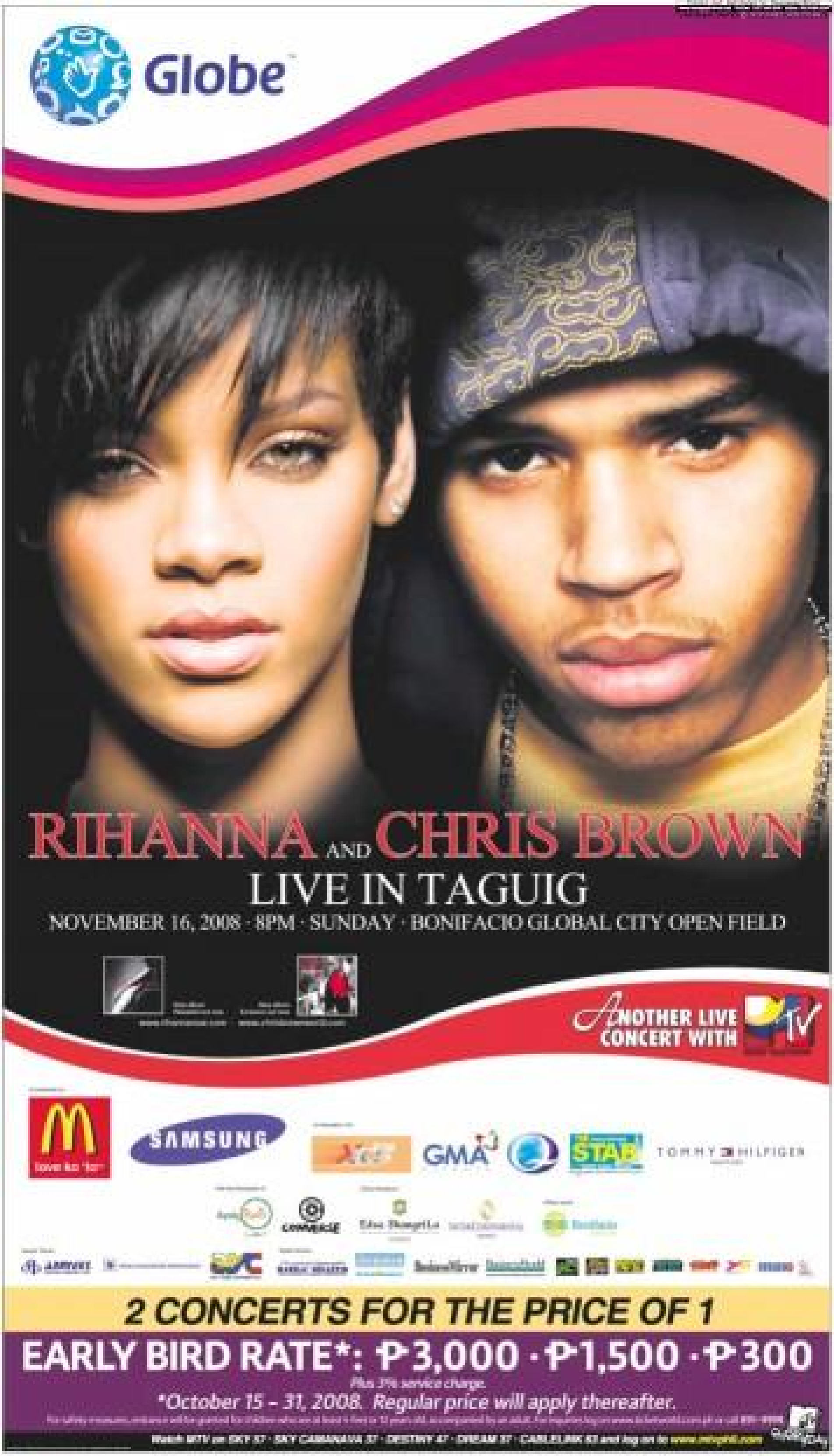
SOAPS made to look like desserts

The Soap Factory's World's Best line has soap from various countries, like one uses Halo-Halo Fruits with papaya, pineapple and mangosteen. Hawaii's Aloha Medley is made of macadamia nut, passion fruit and ylang-ylang. Japan is represented by the Geisha Soap, the US with Big Apple, or Germany with Beer Suds. Big Ben's honey, royal jelly, propolis and blossom recall London.

The S.O.S. line has soap with essential oils and other natural ingredients to treat and heal the skin. The range includes Seriously White for fairer skin, Wrinkle Be Gone to battle unwanted facial lines, and Zit Away to prevent zits from acne. Divine Comfort is for those with ailments such as chemotherapy, radiation and depression. Energy Boost is a stimulating and uplifting soap, while Relaxation Soap deeply moisturizes the skin and helps cure psoriasis and eczema.

The Soap Factory also manufactures lip balms, hair oils and lotions. Its flagship store is at 3/L, The Block, SM North Edsa.




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Michael Johns performs at Ayala Malls

AMERICAN IDOL TOP FINALIST Michael Johns performs at the Ayala Malls.

One of the top 12 finalists, Johns started out as a sportsman who played tennis and the Australian Rules Football. Upon moving to the United States from Australia in 1998, he began singing in local bars in Atlanta Georgia.

As a fan of the reality music show, Johns decided to audition at 28, the last eligible age to join. Effort and hard work paid off as he got a unanimous vote from all three judges with the song "I've been Loving you too Long" by Otis Redding, earning him a trip to Hollywood. And upon singing Queen's "Bohemian Rhapsody" in the Hollywood elimination, it quickly assured him of a place in the Top 12.



JOHNS

Dubbed by judge Simon Cowell as "a white soul singer," Johns was seen as among the show best competitors one of the 12 finalists. And while elimination took his fans and critics by surprise after his performance of "Dream On" by Aerosmith in keeping with that week's theme of inspirational Songs. Little did he know that his future as a musical artist had only begun, garnering the support of several celebrities such as Jamie Foxx, Dolly Parton, and Bruno Tonioli.

Michael Johns has now become a household name with guest appearances in popular shows like "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," "The Today Show," "The [illegible]," "The Morning Show with Mike and Juliet," "Access Hollywood," "The Ellen Show by Ellen DeGeneres" and "Saturday Night Live."

Dolly Parton even extended a musical collaboration invitation with him on her upcoming single.

He has come a long way since "American Idol" with performing gigs from jamming with David Foster at his one-night tribute concert and being invited to the Long Beach Grand Prix for the 2008 IndyCar Series season, to singing at the Children's Hospital of New York Presbyterian and visiting his native Australia for a promotional visit to Sidney courtesy of FOX.

He also recently finished touring with his co-finalists around 50 US cities in the Live! Tour 2008.

As gifted singer and songwriter, Johns composed the song "Don't Look Down," the soundtrack theme song for the ESPN Shaun White documentary slated to be released in January 2009.

This not only marks the start of the ESPN Winter X Games, his debut single will also be launched then followed by his first album launch in March 2009 produced under "19" Records.

Johns will perform at the Ayala Malls on Nov. 19, 6 p.m. at Glorietta; Nov. 21, 7 p.m. at Greenbelt; Nov. 28, 6:30 p.m. at Alabang Town Center and Nov. 30, 7 p.m. at TriNoma.

GOINGS ON

Halloween in space

JOSEFINO "CHINO" TOLEDO AND THE Metro Manila Community Orchestra will take children on a unique journey, Halloween in Space, today, at the Cultural Center of the Philippines Tanghalang Nicanor Abelardo (Main Theater). Instead of the usual ghosts and goblins, children will be regaled with various musical instruments of the orchestra stationed at the lobby, for them to touch and explore, in an instrument Petting Zoo. Children are asked to come dressed as their favorite characters, for a costume parade at which [illegible] will [illegible]. Tickets are available at CCP (tel. 8321125) and TicketWorld (891 9999).

Mischief madness

Join Nickelodeon's Halloween booth at SM Mall of Asia, today, 3-9 p.m. A fireworks display will end the day. For tickets on the Oct. 31 event, visit participating Toy Kingdom or Toy Kingdom Express branches.

Jollibee trick or treat

Jollibee and Starmall Edsa will hold its Halloween Trick or Treat, today, 3 p.m., at the activity area of Starmall Edsa. Kids will go around the mall in which they proceed to and from participating stores in costumes, asking for treats. Those with the scariest costumes will win prizes and giveaways from Jollibee. Starmall will also have a pizza-eating contest. Call 7274902.

Search for Tronix model

Join the Innovatronix Inc.'s search for the Tronix Image Model 2009. Tronix is looking for the best male and female faces, 13-24 years old, which can be featured in display materials found in all Tronix outlets in malls. The 2009 search will also include a category for young girls, aged 6-12 years old. Deadline for submission is on Nov. 30. Call 8431902, 6001698 or 0923-5576941.

PLAI congress

The Philippine Librarians Association Inc. (PLAI), National Commission for Culture and Arts (NCCA) - National Committee on Library and Information Services (NCLIS) and The National Library (TNL) celebrate the Library and Information Services Month this November. As part of the month-long celebration PLAI in cooperation with NCCA-NCLIS, and TNL, will hold a conference on "Multicultural Landscape of Philippine Librarianship," Nov. 20-22, at the Grand Men Seng Hotel in Davao City. Call 5083183 or 5258451.



'PAROL'-MAKING TILT

Manila Broadcasting Company has put up P100,000 for the grand-prize winner of this year's parol-making competition dubbed "Tara ng Parol." Participants are required to make use of recycling techniques mixed with traditional folk craft. Entries must be between 6-10 ft as measured from bottom to top, including trimmings. Entries must utilize energy-saving bulbs and must not incorporate pyrotechnics nor hazardous material. Lanterns must be able to withstand indoor and outdoor conditions for the duration of the Christmas season. Deadline for submission of entries is on Dec. 5. Call [illegible] or email [illegible].

LIFESTYLE Fashion &



Tom Ford now film director

TOM FORD HAS A NEW title to add to his resumé: Film director.

The fashion designer will begin filming his directorial debut next month in Los Angeles, starring Julianne Moore and Colin Firth.

The indie project titled "A Single Man," based on the Christopher Isherwood novel of the same title, tells the story of a British professor who loses his partner of 16 years. It will be co-produced by Ford's outfit, Fade to Black, and the Weitz brothers company called Depth of Field.

The move is seen as the fruition of Ford's longtime dream. It has been reported that the designer has had his eyes set on Hollywood, ever since his departure from Gucci and Yves Saint Laurent in 2004.

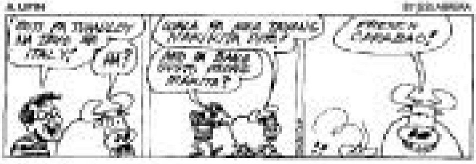
Ford and then Gucci Group CEO Domenico Sole, with whom he was credited for the success story of the luxury conglomerate, parted ways with the company when they failed to reach an agreement over creative control of the firm.

The Texas-born Ford has since launched his own label, producing accessories, eyewear, beauty, fragrances, and an upscale ready-to-wear and bespoke menswear line.

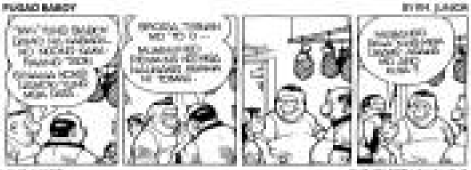
In February 2006, Ford made a controversial turn as guest creative director of Vanity Fair, appearing naked on the cover with starlets Scarlett Johansson and Keira Knightley.

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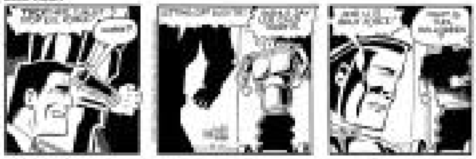


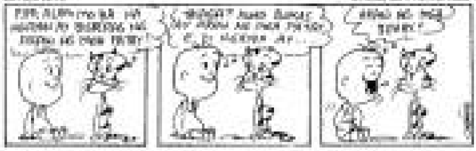


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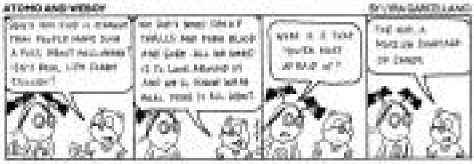


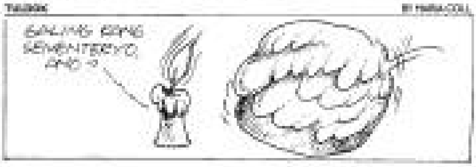


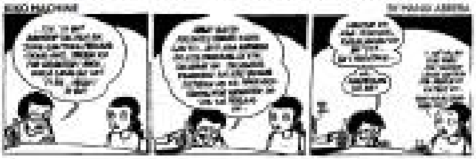
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BY JERRY SCOTT



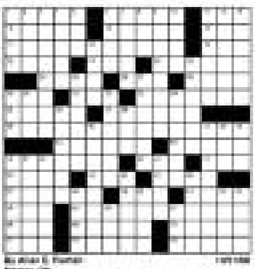


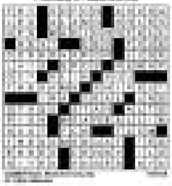






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A grand wedding anniversary long in coming



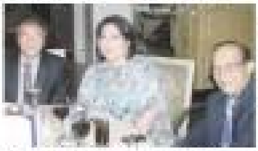


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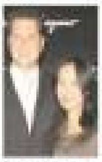


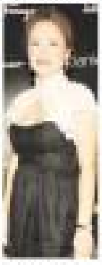



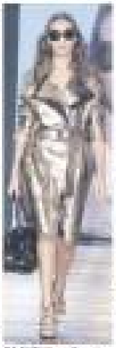


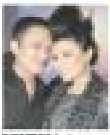
Luxe wear

Casual chic







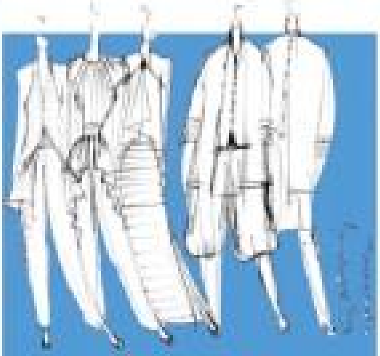




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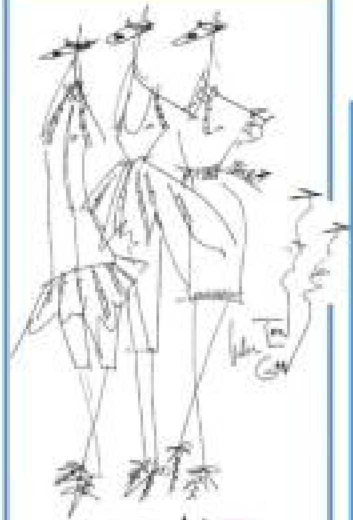
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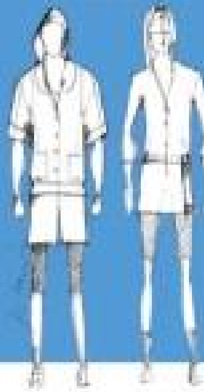
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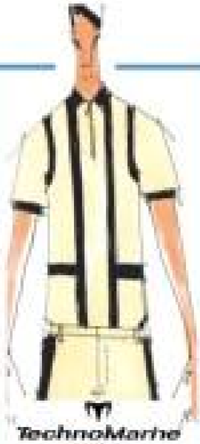
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LIFESTYLE Fashion & Beauty

Alex Bitong's sure head-turners

By Alex Y. Vergara

ALEX BITONG, PERHAPS ONE of Manila's most underrated fashion designers, debuted recently on "Fashion Watch" with a 25-piece collection that was noteworthy for its wearability and ability to flatter, with a few exceptions, almost every figure.

The low-key Bitong presented evening separates consisting of boxy tops and pencil skirts, finely pleated and tiered knee- and floor-length skirts, and draped and beaded numbers with quirky details.

Aside from Thai silk, he used a bit of chiffon, satin and organza in black, red, fuchsia, hot pink, magenta and mandarin orange to give his collection a holiday feel. He also played with textures by either juxtaposing satin with smooth materials in one number, or alternating a voluminous satin with a minimalist one.

"Actually, it's not so much the holiday season I had in mind, as the fact that these colors are forecast to dominate the scene next year," he said.

Final installment

"Fashion Watch" at Makati Shangri-La reopened Tuesday afternoon for its fourth and final installment this year. Produced by Joey Sotto and Jeji Dingcong, the series is supported by Nokia, [illegible] and [illegible]. Next week's designer is Joey Samson.

Bitong turned out head-turners, including feathered and fairy numbers and a [illegible] of [illegible] black column [illegible]

ALEX BITONG/C2

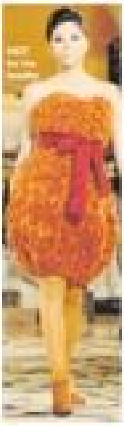
"Without such details, I consider my clothes simple," says the low-key designer





Alex Bitong's sure head-turners











Fancy frocks











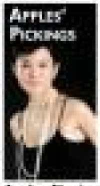


Bamboo and plastic—hot 'n' chic





APPLES' PICKINGS



Bamboo fabric has a natural sheen and feel similar to cashmere and silk











Everyday Italian fashion under one roof



ALTO white dress

PHOTOS BY PANCHO ESCALER OF CHROMA
STYLING BY ANGELO VILLANUEVA
HAIR AND MAKEUP BY VICTOR PALMOS

Linea Italia is the only Italian multi-brand chain in the country that allows clients to mix and match with stylish abandon (say, a Cerruti blouse combined with a Versace skirt and knee-high boots from Marco Gabbrielini).

"The mix of designers in our stores comprises the most relevant clothes in the Italian fashion universe—a reflection of the way glamorous Italians dress without having to spend a fortune. Real fashion should be relevant, meaning it should be affordable and worn by people you see everyday in the streets of Rome or Milan," Linea Italia Group President Freddy Buenaventura says.

Indeed, no other fashion house in the Philippines offers iconic Italian brands like Cerruti 1881, Versace Jeans Couture, Roberto Cavalli, Gianfranco Ferre, Valentino, Henry Cotton and Moschino under one roof, alongside hot new labels like Sandro Ferrone, Pinko, Carla G., Miyà, Pietrapiumi, Martin Ron, Roberto Mancini, Krizia Uomo, Antonella Serio and GIOJO.



SANDRO Ferrone pink overcoat; Marco Gabbrielini black boots

True to its tradition of bringing real Italian fashion to Filipinos for over 25 years now, Linea Italia's 11 boutiques in Metro Manila and Cebu have new collections to offer its loyal patrons.

These include trendy pieces that, according to Buenaventura, "depict passion, luxury, freedom and power" and are strongly influenced by cutting-edge Italian label Versace—sensual, flamboyant, edgy and chic-elegant.

The new women's wear line is replete with clothes that contain drama and design features, with soft and sexy dresses draped over a negligee silhouette. Leather jackets are worn with cigarette jeans, leather boots and a pink trench coat.

In the men's line, clothes emphasize very and sharp outlines in tailored leather jackets, corporate suits and body-hugging buttoned-down shirts.

"The new collections are flexible and versatile. This is best seen in men's suiting, which come off as totally different pieces when paired with elegant sleeves and tie or a masculine muscle shirt. The same goes for the leisure-cut dresses for women, a look that can be easily refreshed by adding an accessory or two," says Buenaventura.

Linea Italia Group stores are located at Linea Uomo and Linea Italia at Bldg. B SM Megamall; Primafinea at Greenbelt 3; Linea Uomo at Rockwell Powerplant; Primafinea, Linea Uomo and Linea Italia at Ayala Cebu; Pinko at SM Cebu; Corso Moreno at 2323 Marconi St., Makati City; Corso Moreno at A.S. Fortuna Ave., Mandaue City, Cebu; and Corso Moreno at Great Mall of China, Roxas Ave., Asiaworld Business Park.



VALENTINO beige suit; Krizia Uomo long-sleeve shirt; Cerruti necktie

From resto manager to newly minted designer

Niño Dominic Angeles, 31, wins the first-ever design tilt organized by Cinderella


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GRAND-PRIZE winner Niño Dominic Angeles with Cinderella's [illegible] and celebrity endorser Kristine Hermosa


ANGELES


OLIVA


SECOND-prize winner Mary Joanne Lesaca and one of her winning entries


THIRD-PRIZE winner and lone men's wear designer Eugene Lloyd Oliva

Wearability

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Banking Leader Makes a Fashion Statement: BDO Credit Cards Lit Up the Runway at Philippine Fashion Week

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Philippine Fashion Week Spring/Summer 2009 was held in SMX Convention Center, Mall of Asia Complex, Pasay City from October 22 to 28, 2008.

ENTERTAINMENT



Mentoring the future of Asian cinema

Dante Mendoza plays the role of teacher in Pusan and Cinemanila

By Bayani San Diego Jr.

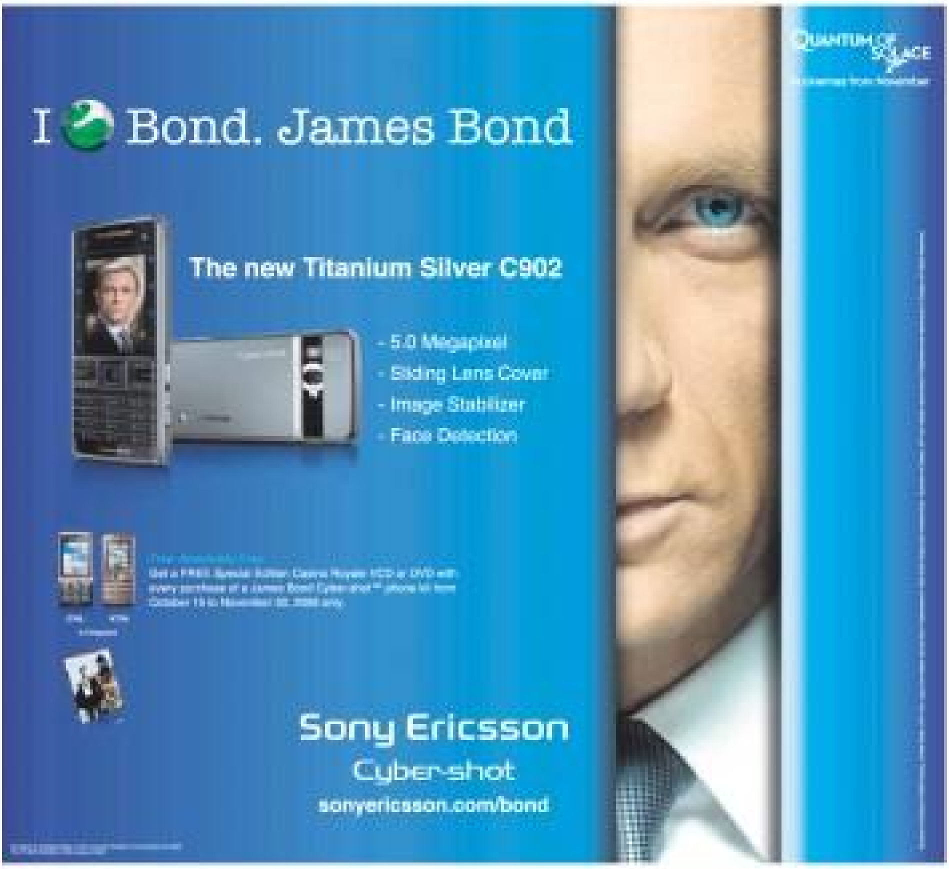
PLAYING THE ROLE OF MENTOR FOR the first time was daunting, admits Filipino filmmaker Brillante "Dante" Mendoza who was invited to teach at the Asian Film Academy (AFA) in Pusan, South Korea last month.

"I never imagined that I'd also learn a lot from the students," he notes.

The 17-day program, dubbed "for the

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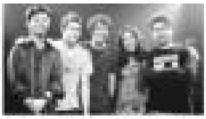




Manager: I 'own' Rivermaya

By Pocholo Concepcion

LAUGHABLE WAS HOW LIZZA NAKPIL described moves to dump her as Rivermaya's manager.


LIZZA Nakpil, second from right, with the band in happier times





Cocoy Laurel sings from the heart

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'One Night Only'

'Lakeview Terrace'

Scariest costume


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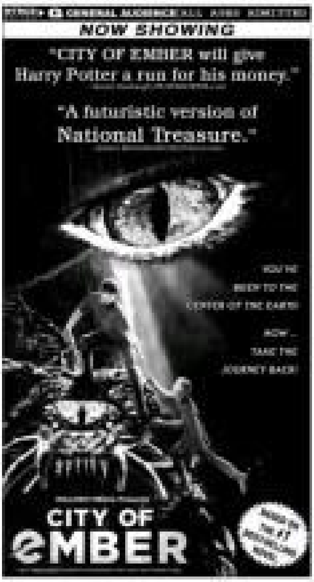
Halloween weekend

'Spooktacular' show

Mentoring ...

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Guerilla-style filmmaking



Gossiping with the 'Gossip' cast







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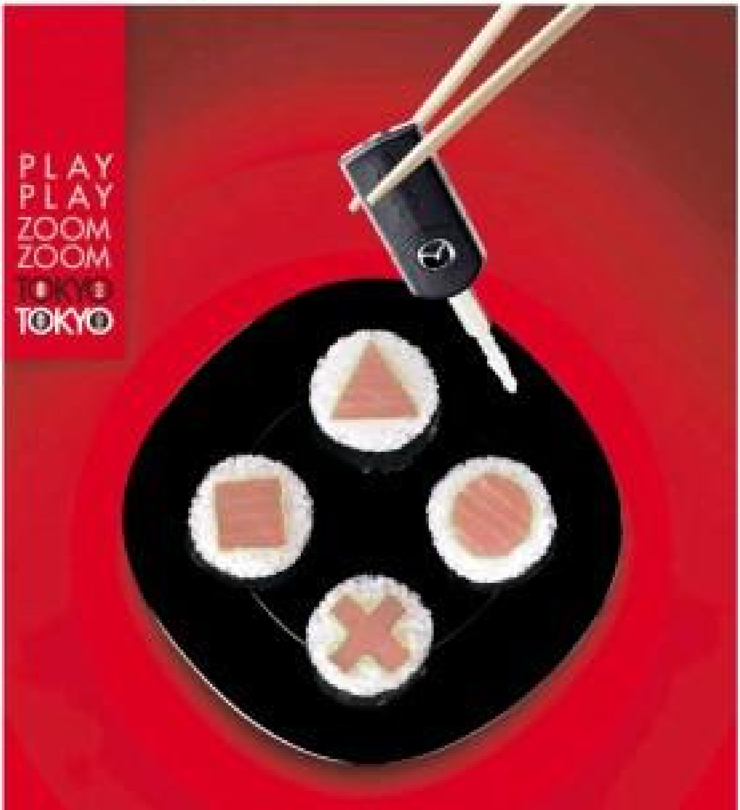
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Gossiping with the 'Gossip' cast



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Ruben V. Nepales

'Every parent's nightmare'

What was your own high school experience like?



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Why Jon Santos describes his condo unit in Ortigas Center as 'East meets West' /J4



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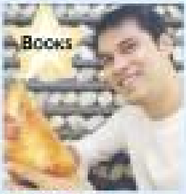
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'Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa' preem, Oct. 26 in California



BEN Stiller



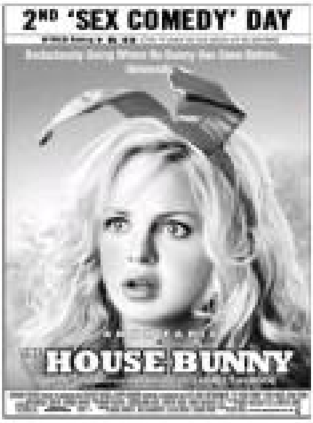
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GARY V with children from Sitio Avocado, Negros Oriental

Gary V marks 10 years with Unicef

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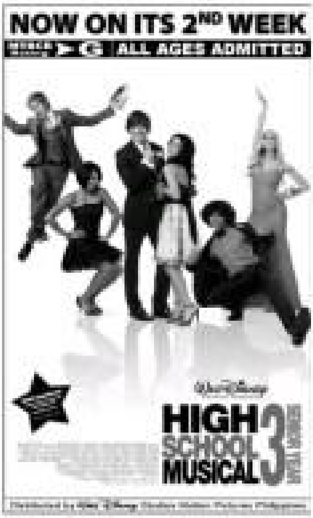


















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Bong (Vhong Navarro) has liked Winona (Toni Gonzaga) since time immemorial but he never had the courage to pursue her. Winona on the other hand, seems to be also showing interest in Bong, but he is too insensible to notice this.

Winona meets her old time crush. Bong feels jealous of this. He realizes that he wants to spend the rest of his remaining days loving Winona. Bong tries to win her back.

Will Winona accept his love? Is there still chance for a happy ending for the two?

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